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MANUFACTURING SAME

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2002 (Paper No. 34), please cancel claim 33, and amend claims 22 and 34 as follows. A marked-up version of the amended claims is included at the end of this Reply.

22. (Five times amended) A method of manufacturing a heat exchanger for cooling exhaust gas of an internal-combustion engine, said method comprising the steps of:

providing a plurality of rectangular tubes for guiding exhaust gas;

arranging a plurality of lugs in said rectangular tubes diagonally to a flow direction of the exhaust gas, in pairs, by one of (a) directly attaching the lugs to opposite walls of said tubes (and (b) integrally forming the lugs from said opposite walls of said tubes,) and providing said rectangular tubes with spacing elements facing respective adjacent rectangular tubes;

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